have taken place frequently in the following States/UTs during the last two years (1997 and upto November 30, 1998):

Communal incidents	Caste related incidents	Bomb blasts
1. Bihar	Bihar	J & K
2. Delhi	Karnataka	Manipur
3. Gujarat	Maharashtra	Tamil Nadu
4. Karnataka	Rajasthan	
5. Madhya Pradesh	Tamil Nadu	
6. Maharashtra	Uttar Pradesh	
7. Orissa		
8. Rajasthan		
9. Tamil Nadu		
10. Uttar Pradesh		
11. West Bengal		

(c) Yes, Sir. Although 'Public Order' and 'Police' are State subjects as per the Constitution of India and it is the primary responsibility of the State Governments to prevent crimes, the Central Government has been providing assistance to the State Governments for improving their policing infrastructure and also shares intelligence with the States. It has also constituted a Special Force, called the Rapid Action Force, for assisting the State Governments in controlling the communal situation. The Central Government has been issuing guidelines from time to time to the State Governments for promoting communal harmony among different communities. The guidelines are reviewed periodically.

Jayalalitha's statement on Osma Bin Laden

1931. SHRI V. N. GADGIL: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to Smt. Jayalalitha's statement in Economic Times dated October 11, 1998 that she had information about the role played by Saudi Arabian terrorist Osma Bin Laden in the bomb blasts in Coimbatore; and

(b) if so, what action Government have taken in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI L. K. ADVANI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The investigations being conducted by the Tamil Nadu Police so far have not indicated any hand of Osma Bin Laden in the Coimbatore blasts.

Visit of Osma Bin Laden

1932. SHRI V. N. GADGIL: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Saudi Arabian terrorist financier Osma Bin Laden visited Mumbai, Delhi and Hyderabad recently;

(b) whether he met several Islamic fundamentalist in these three cities; and

(c) if so, the action taken by Government in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI L. K. ADVANI): (a) to (c) There are no inputs to indicate that Osma Bin Laden had visited Mumbai, Delhi and Hyderabad.

सरसों के तेल में मिलावट के मामले की केन्द्रीय अन्वेषण ब्यूरो द्वारा जांच

1933. **श्री रामजीलाल :** क्या गृह मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि उन्होंने देश में सरसों के तेल में मिलावट के मामले में केन्द्रीय अन्वेषण ब्यूरो द्वारा जांच कराए जाने का आदेश दिया था;

(ख) यदि हां, तो ऐसी जांच के आदेश कब और किन-किन बिन्दुओं की जांच किए जाने के लिये दिये गए थे; और

(ग) जांच रिपोर्ट का ब्यौरा क्या है ?

गृह मंत्री (श्री लाल कृष्ण आडवाणी): (क) जी हां, श्रीमान ।

(ख) और (ग) नजफगढ़ थाने में दर्ज मामला,प्र०स०रि० संख्या 496 दिनांक 25-8-98, जो कि सरसों के तेल में मिलावट करने से संबंधित था, इसके अन्तर-राज्य स्तर पर फैल होने को ध्यान में रखते हुए इस मामले की व्यापक जांच पड़ताल हेतु 4 सितम्बर, 1998 को केन्द्रीय जांच ब्यूरो को हस्तांतरित कर दिया गया था । ब्यूरो द्वारा की गई जांच-पड़ताल से पता चला है कि कुछ उत्पादनकर्त्ताओं ने सरसों के तेल में एग्रीमोन तेल, राईस ब्रान, इत्यादि की मिलावट करने के उद्देश्य से एक अपराधिक षड़यंत्र रचा था । अब तक की गई जांच-पड़ताल के आधार पर ब्यूरो द्वारा उपयुक्त न्यायालयों में 6 व्यक्तियों के खिलाफ आरोप पत्र दायर किए हैं।

PM's special package for North-East

1934. DR. ARUN KUMAR SARMA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the national commitment through PM's special package for North-Eastern region of 1996 and 1997 has become a forgotten chapter;

(b) if not, the details of policy decisions, clause-wise action plan and financial allocation to implement the package;

(c) the status of proposed restructure of NEC as declared by the Prime Minister; and

(d) the action taken on reports of two Commissions constituted in terms of PM's package?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI L. K. ADVANI): (a) and (b) The Government of India are committed to implement the Prime Minister's Package for the North Eastern Region. The policy decisions include allocation of 10 per cent of the Budget by Central Ministries for specific programmes in the North East; full funding for on-going projects, full coverage through Employment Assurance Scheme, extention of Border Area Development Programme to Indo-Myanmar border; improved credit flow; new industrial policy, strengthening of Central agencies, full coverage of the North East through telecommunication and electronic media etc. These are being implemented by the various Central Ministries. The estimated fund required for the various schemes in the this package is about Rs. 7865.27 crores. Of this Rs. 7082.66 crores is in the Central Sector, Rs. 328.50 crore in State sector and Rs. 454.11 crores under NEC Plan. The require-